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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This communication is intended to be fully responsive to the non-final (restriction requirement) Office Action dated June 12, 2003, concerning the above-identified patent application, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.141 and 1.143.

**REMARKS**

The Applicants thank the Examiner for the non-final Office Action dated June 12, 2003. In this Office Action, the Examiner stated:

Restriction to one of the following disclosed species is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121: Species I: Figures 1-9; Species II: Figure 10; Species III: Figure 11; Species IV: Figure 12; and Species V: Figure 13.

Applicants are required under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, no claim appears to be generic to all disclosed species.

The Applicants elect Species I (FIGURES 1-9) for prosecution on the merits and believe that Claims 1-13 and 20-44 are readable thereon.

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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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